



ELECTION 74



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REGENT OR NO REGENT?

SPECIAL

By John Kalkowski

On the Nov. 5 ballot is a proposed amendment to the Nebraska constitution that will affect students throughout the University of Nebraska system, according to ASUN President Ron Clingenpeel.

The student regent amendment, if approved in the general election, will place the student body presidents of UNL, the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the University of Nebraska Medical Center on the NU Board of Regents as non-voting members.

All candidates for governor and secretary of state support the amendment.

Frank Morrison and Paul Douglas, candidates for attorney general, declined to comment on the amendment because they may have to review it someday as attorney general.

Hess Dyas, candidate for the first district

congressional seat, supports the amendment although it is not an issue in his campaign. Incumbent Congressman Charles Thone had no comment, saying the amendment is a state, not a national, issue.

Regents divided

NU Regents Kermit Hansen, Edward Schwartzkopf and Robert Koefoot have expressed opposition to the amendment. Regents Robert Raun and James Moylan said they would vote for the amendment. Regents Kermit Wagner, Robert Prokop and Camille Elliott were unavailable for comment.

The placement of students on college and university governing boards started after Congress passed the Education Act of 1972, Clingenpeel said. Article 19 of the act "strongly urges" that students be placed as voting members on the governing boards of both public and private schools.

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With election day, Nov. 5, seven days away, this special issue of the *Daily Nebraskan* focuses on four key state and congressional elections.

Candidates for the offices of governor, first district congressman, secretary of state and attorney general express their ideas on government, campaigning, and the important issues emerging in each race.

In addition, a constitutional amendment specially important to NU students is on the Nov. 5 ballot. Voters will decide the fate of the so-called student regent amendment.

On page eight, a poll conducted by Community Response, Inc., for the *Daily Nebraskan* shows the choices of students on candidates for governor and first district congressman.

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